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SEC. 4. During the prevalence of epidemics or contagious diseases all putrid and offensive matter, and all night soil and the contents of sinks, privies, vaults, or cesspools, before their removal or exposure, shall be disinfected and rendered inoffensive by the owner, lessee, or occupant of the premises where situated when deemed necessary by the department, and if not so done, then said disinfecting may be done by the contractor who removes the same; and the person, not being such tenant, owner, or occupant, who shall so disinfect or remove the same, shall be entitled to demand and receive a compensation, to be fixed by the department and paid by such tenant, owner, or occupant.

SEC. 5. No person shall at any time, in the city of Pittsburgh, deposit any slops, liquid of any offensive kind, garbage, contents of sinks, privy, or cesspool, manure, offal, or anything which can become offensive to human beings or detrimental to public health, upon any street, lot, or vacant place; nor deposit in any vault, privy, sink, or cesspool, any offal, meat, fish, or garbage; nor shall any slops or kitchen waste, or wash water from yard or laundry be permitted to run between houses, or an alley or street, or into any privy or cesspool: *Provided, however*, That manure may be placed on private lands for the purpose of fertilizing in those parts of the city that are not built up, if no nuisance results therefrom.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any alderman or police magistrate in the city of Pittsburgh, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$50, and in default of payment thereof to be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not more than 30 days. [Ordinance adopted April 19, 1911.]

WATER-CLOSETS IN BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR.

SEC. 2. During the erection, remodeling, or repairing of any building or part thereof, in the city of Pittsburgh, the owner or contractor of said building shall provide urinals and water-closets on every alternate floor of such building for the use of persons employed in the construction, remodeling, or repairing of same, when in the judgment of the department of public health it is necessary; said urinals and water-closets shall be kept in a sanitary condition, subject to inspection by the department of public health of the city of Pittsburgh.

SEC. 3. Any person or persons who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding before any police magistrate or alderman in the city of Pittsburgh, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$25, and in default of payment thereof to be imprisoned in the county jail for a period of not more than 30 days. [Ordinance adopted March 27, 1911.]

READING, PA.

PRIVIES AND CESSPOOLS.

RULE 24. No cesspool or privy well shall hereafter be constructed in any part of the city of Reading where the house sewer is accessible.

RULE 25. All privy wells dug or sunk in the city of Reading shall be constructed with their ground walls at not less than 2 feet from the boundary line of the property on which they are dug and not less than 20 feet distant from any dwelling, if possible. They shall be walled up with brick or stone, and shall be in depth 20 feet: *Provided*, That where rocks or water, permanently springing or flowing into the well from beneath the surface of the ground, or other natural obstacles, rendering it in the judgment of the board of health inexpedient that any well should be made of the depth of 20 feet, such well may be sunk to any depth less than 20 feet, not less than 6 feet, as upon application may be allowed by the board of health, who shall consider the circumstances of the particular case and direct such depth as it deems expedient.

In case of any privy well situated in a house sewer district becoming foul, full, or leaky and thus create a nuisance that can in the opinion of the board of health only be abated by connecting the premises with the house sewer, the owner of the premises upon which such privy well does exist shall, upon notice from the board of health, clean, disinfect, and abandon the use of such a well, and connect his premises with the house sewer system.

RULE 26. Every person desirous of being licensed to empty or remove the contents of privy wells and sinks within the limits of the jurisdiction of the board of health shall make applications in writing to the board of health, who, on being satisfied with the character of the applicant and that he is owning or using an odorless excavating

apparatus that has been examined and approved by the board, shall grant him a license for a period of one year, and for such license so granted he shall pay to the city of Reading the sum of \$25; and whenever such person shall desire, under his license, to empty or cleanse any privy well or sink he shall first take from the board of health a permit to do so, at which time he shall furnish to the secretary the name of the owner, agent, or occupant of such property as shall so employ him, to be mentioned in said permit and recorded in the office. And in no case shall any cesspool or privy well be emptied or cleaned except with an odorless excavating apparatus approved by the health commissioner. The price of the permit shall be 50 cents, except in cases declared by the board of health to be a nuisance, in which case the price shall be \$1.

Every person licensed under the provisions of this rule shall have the number of the license issued to him affixed in figures not less than 6 inches in length on both sides of each conveyance used by him in his business. Any person failing or refusing to comply with this rule shall forfeit and pay a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50, to be recovered in accordance with section 12 of the act of assembly of April 22, 1873, establishing the board of health in the city of Reading.

RULE 27. Whenever the contents of a privy vault shall be within 1 foot of the top of the vault, or shall become offensive from any cause, or dangerous to the public health, the same shall be cleaned or disinfected, or removed by the owner thereof, or his agent, as the board of health shall direct.

RULE 28. Night soil or cesspool sewage shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner. If spread on farm land, it must be immediately plowed under. Where this method is impracticable, the sewage must be buried in trenches or excavations and treated with quicklime, or disposed of otherwise in such manner that will prevent it from becoming a nuisance and an annoyance to the neighborhood.

RULE 29. Each and every dwelling in the city of Reading must be provided with toilet conveniences established according to the rules and regulations of the board of health. [Regulations, board of health, adopted May 15, 1911.]

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

PRIVIES AND CESSPOOLS—CONSTRUCTION AND CLEANING.

SECTION 1. Every dwelling, residence, store, tenement house, and factory within the city of St. Joseph shall be furnished with a suitable privy or water-closet and cesspool, or sewer connection; but no privy vault or cesspool shall hereafter be constructed within the city without a permit for that purpose first obtained from the sanitary inspector: *Provided*, That no privy vault, water-closet or cesspool shall be built or maintained in a sewer district where sewer connection can be had, either from the street or alley, and where there is also water, without being properly connected with the sewer. And no cesspool or privy vault shall be allowed to remain on any premises in the city of St. Joseph unless unavoidable and in accordance with the terms of the permit issued by the sanitary inspector, which permit shall designate the exact location and material to be used in the construction of the same.

SEC. 2. All privy vaults constructed or used or maintained within the city of St. Joseph shall be constructed of well-burned brick, laid in and coated with a good quality of cement, and shall be water-tight. All privy vaults hereafter constructed shall be 6 feet in depth and no more, and the sides and bottoms shall be at least 4 inches thick. In lieu of brick, concrete of equal thickness may be used.

SEC. 3. All cesspools constructed, used, or maintained within the city of St. Joseph shall be constructed in the same manner as privy vaults, except as to depth, and shall be provided with an iron cover and fresh-air inlet on top.

SEC. 4. No privy vault or cesspool shall be constructed without adequate provision for the effectual and proper ventilation and cleaning thereof.

SEC. 5. No privy vault or cesspool shall be built or maintained within 20 feet of the line of any street, or of any house, or of any well, or within 3 feet of the party line of the adjacent lot or lots: *Provided*, That any privy vault or cesspool may be built at any place in the rear of any lot 3 feet from the rear line of said lot abutting upon any public alley: *Provided further*, That said vault or cesspool shall not be nearer to any street, house, or well than is provided in these rules. No privy vault or cesspool shall be completed nor shall it be covered until the same has been inspected by the sanitary inspector or the plumbing inspector, and has been found to be in accordance with the sanitary regulations.

SEC. 6. All privy vaults and cesspools must be cleaned whenever the contents thereof shall be within 2½ feet of the top or surface of the ground. Whenever the contents of any privy vault or cesspool shall be removed or a notice or order shall be